



# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JANUARY 3, 2016

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Alfalfa conditions continued to be rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week. Harvesting occurred on seventy-five percent of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Cotton harvest was virtually complete. Rangeland conditions varied widely, depending on location but were rated mostly good to fair. Central Arizona shipped broccoli, cabbage (green and red), cilantro, kale greens, and parsley last week. Western Arizona growers shipped anise, arugula, Bok Choy, broccoli, cabbage (green and red), cauliflower, celery, Chinese cabbage, cilantro, endive, escarole, kale greens, varieties of lettuce (Boston, Iceberg, green leaf, red leaf, processed, other and romaine), oranges, parsley, radicchio, and spinach last week. Last week was relatively dry with only 8 of the 50 weather stations reporting some precipitation, with Heber reporting the most precipitation at 0.11 inches. All weather stations reported below normal temperatures last week. The highest temperature during the week was 74 degrees at Sahuarita and Robson Ranch. The lowest temperature during the week was zero degrees at the Grand Canyon.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley				
Planted.....	30	25	55	44
Durum Wheat				
Planted.....	15	10	NA	NA

NA - not available

(--) - zero

### DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork .....	7.0	7.0	6.7	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	1	1	1	NA
Short .....	12	12	35	NA
Adequate.....	75	77	64	NA
Surplus.....	12	10	--	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	1	1	8	NA
Short .....	10	10	33	NA
Adequate.....	80	82	59	NA
Surplus.....	9	7	--	NA

NA - not available

(--) - zero

## CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa Hay				
Very poor.....	4	4	6	5
Poor .....	1	1	9	10
Fair .....	22	17	23	33
Good .....	44	48	34	32
Excellent.....	29	30	28	20
Pasture and Range				
Very poor.....	9	8	14	22
Poor .....	8	8	8	16
Fair .....	35	36	33	31
Good .....	42	42	42	27
Excellent.....	6	6	3	4

NA – not available

(--) – zero

Arizona's weather data can be accessed at the following:

[http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\\_by\\_State/Arizona/Publications/Crop\\_Progress\\_&\\_Condition/2016/AZ\\_Weather\\_01032016.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Arizona/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2016/AZ_Weather_01032016.pdf)